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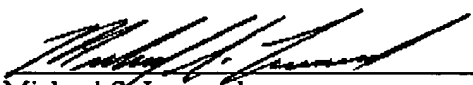
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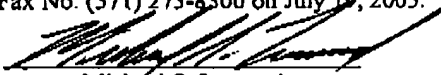
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This Response is submitted with in response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 19, 2005. Applicants request amendment, reconsideration and allowance of the patent application.

Applicants invite the Examiner to call Applicants' Representative to discuss any issues with this application.

**Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this Response.

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